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Green@Home Trains Volunteers to Help Residents Save Energy

As a response to the question “What can I do?” about the Gulf oil disaster, volunteers trained by Acterra’s Green@Home program are visiting their neighbors to install energy-saving devices, going over a conservation checklist – and teaching people how to pump up their car tires.

Nearly 600 Silicon Valley residents have benefitted from these **FREE** “house calls” offered by the non-profit group Acterra, www.acterra.org. Volunteers help the residents save energy and water with free products such as compact fluorescent light bulbs, retractable clotheslines, low-flow showerheads, faucet flow restrictors, refrigerator thermometers and other techniques during a 2 ½ hour visit. The program is available in five local cities – Sunnyvale, Cupertino, Palo Alto, Menlo Park and Redwood City – and it thrives with volunteer power from all over Silicon Valley.

New volunteers are invited to sign up for one of the following two-part training sessions: Wednesday, July 21st AND August 4th, 5:30 - 9:45 p.m. in Sunnyvale; Thursday, July 22nd and July 29th, 5:30 – 9:45 p.m., in Menlo Park; and a **Spanish language** session in Sunnyvale on Tuesdays, September 7th and 14th.

Please call Deb Kramer at (650) 962-9876 ext. 353 or email debk@acterra.org to sign up.